GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
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Balanced Development of NER
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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state the details of measures taken by his Ministry for the balanced development of the North-Eastern States at par with the rest of the States in the country along with the policy undertaken in the region in the field of inter-state transport, communication, power supply and flood control?

Answer

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of
Development of North Eastern Region

[Dr. Jitendra Singh]

The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is assigned the function of coordinating the efforts of the Government for development of the North Eastern Region. The measures taken by the Ministry, inter alia, include coordinating with Central Ministries/Departments for ensuring an enhanced and efficient utilisation of their respective annual earmarked allocation for the Region, providing gap funding of infrastructure projects, skill development and capacity building and livelihood programmes. Infrastructure pertaining to inter-state transport and communication such as inter-state roads, inter-state bus and truck terminals are taken up through the schemes of North Eastern Council (NEC) and, to rehabilitate critical but neglected inter-state roads, the Ministry has recently introduced a new scheme called North East Road Sector Development Scheme (NERSDS). Gap funding for power sector and flood control projects are provided on the basis of the priority projects identified by the State Governments annually under the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources and NEC schemes.